

CD NO.

DATE DISTR 11AUG 51

NO. OF PAGES 2

NO. OF ENCLS.
(LISTED BELOW)

**SUPPLEMENT TO
REPORT NO.**

COUNTRY Albania

SUBJECT The Albanian Democratic Front

PLACE
ACQUIRED

DATE OF
INFO.

**RETURN TO CIA
LIBRARY**

1. The Albanian Democratic Front has succeeded the Albanian "National Front of Liberation" which was established by the Albanian Communist Party during the Axis occupation. The purpose for creating the Democratic Front is to lend credence to the propaganda claim that freedom in politics and representation of all classes exist in Albania.
2. Any Albanian citizen above the age of 16 who adheres to the principles of the Democratic Front may become a member. He is then provided with a special identity card.
3. The following are the obligations of the members of the Democratic Front:
 - a. To work for the stabilization of the People's Republic and for the protection of the independence of the country.
 - b. To respect the laws of the country and to work for the success of the state projects.
 - c. To take an active part in the work of the Democratic Front.
4. The officials of the Democratic Front are elected by majority vote from the lower classes. Actually, the candidates elected are selected by the Communist Party. Every village or section of a city elects its local "Council of the Democratic Front" which is composed of three to seven members, according to the number of inhabitants. These local councils meet every two months. The meeting for the election of the Council takes place once each year, when the delegates to the District Assembly are also elected.
5. The District Assembly of the Democratic Front is composed of the delegates of the villages and town sections, and elects every two years the "District Council of the Democratic Front", which is composed of 31 to 51 members (sic). The District Council meets every three months.
6. The supreme organ of the Democratic Front is the Congress, in which all the delegates of the District Councils participate. The Congress convenes every four years and elects the "General Council of the Democratic Front",

CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET~~/CONTROL - U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY

STATE	#	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NAVY	#	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NSRB	DISTRIBUTION	
ARMY	#	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	AIR	#	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FBI		

This document is hereby regraded to
CONFIDENTIAL in accordance with the
letter of 16 October 1978 from the
Director of Central Intelligence to the
Archivist of the United States.

Approved For Release 2001/03/06 : CIA-RDP82-00457R007900740019-9

Document No. _____
 Change in Class. ☐
 Date Submitted _____
 Date Submitted for TS 3 3
 Date: SEP 10 2 12
 82-004577-0079007400699

~~SECRET~~/CONTROL - U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

25X1A


checks the report of the previous General Council, approves the by-laws and regulations of the Democratic Front and determines the policy to be followed. The General Council meets twice a year and the leadership meets whenever required. In the period between congresses, the General Council exercises supreme authority within the Democratic Front.

7. The Second Congress of the Albanian Democratic Front convened at Tirana on 7 and 8 May 1950. The debates of the Congress were attended by delegates from the "sister People's Republics": Gogo Grulen, Bulgaria; Arpad Hazi, Hungary; Jozif Manaczek, Poland; and Ivan Zubrilin, Soviet Union. The General Council of 150 persons for the period 1950 to 1954, was elected before the end of the Second Congress. Enver Hoxha was again elected president of the Democratic Front.

~~SECRET~~/CONTROL - U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~